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Applicants: Edwin Mellor SOUTHERN *et al.*
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Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith for filing in the above-identified application the following:

1. Response to Restriction Requirement (2 pages);
2. Request for One-Month Extension of Time (1 page - in duplicate);
3. Statement of Limited Recognition under 37 C.F.R. §10.9 (b) (1 page);
and a
4. Return Receipt Postcard.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed from the Patent Office on June 24, 2002 (Paper No. 7). A separate petition for the appropriate extension of time in which to respond is being filed concurrently herewith.

The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- Group I: claims 1-23, 42, 43 59, 62 and 66-69 (drawn to a method of making a set of labeled compounds);
- Group II: claims 24-30, 63, 64 and 70-74 (drawn to a reagent);

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Group III: claims 31, 32, 35, 36, 56-58, 60 and 61 (drawn to a method);
Group IV: claim 33 (drawn to a reagent for an assay);
Group V: claim 34 (drawn to a method using the reagent of claim 33);
Group VI: claims 37-40 (drawn to a library of probes);
Group VII: claims 41, 44 and 65 (drawn to a compound)
Group VIII: claims 45-50 (drawn to an insert);
Group IX: claim 51 (drawn to a kit);
Group X: claims 52-54 (drawn to a system);
Group XI claim 55 (drawn to a nucleotide).

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Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-23, 42, 43, 59, 62 and 66-69 directed to a method of making a set of labeled compounds) without traverse.

If a telephone conversation with Applicants' attorney would help expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' attorney at (617) 227-7400.

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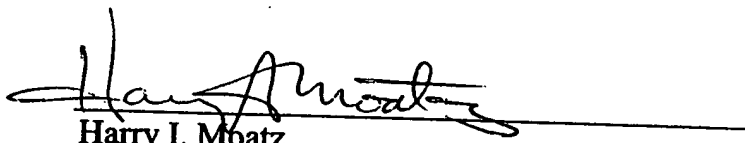
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